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Brigadier General Chester V. Clifton Military Aide to the President The White House Washington, D. C.

Dear Ted: .

In accordance with your request by telephone, enclosed is a tabulation of the awards given by the Central Intelligence Agency or, in the case of ten, recommended by CIA for Air Force presentation. You will note the considerable increase in awards this year over last. I would also note that the awards for 1962 do not reflect the recent citations for the Cuban period, inasmuch as these are now being processed and will be in the 1963 figures.

In view of the President's interest in this subject, you might also like to know that in 1961 we presented certificates of service for ten years (or more) to employees. This was the first year that we presented longevity awards to our people. In 1962 the Agency celebrated its 15th birthday, as the legislative date of our creation as an Agency in the Executive Branch of the Government dates from September 1947. That year we presented certificates for 15 years service to employees, and another employees had completed their ten years service and received certificates. I think this is quite a remarkable indication of the depth of experience in the Agency and, as you well know, experience is an invaluable factor in intelligence work.

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Sincerely yours,

Lyman B. Kirkpatrick

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